



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 2651

Application No.: 09/987,350

Examiner: K. Wong

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR REPRODUCING INFORMATION AND
STORAGE MEDIUM STORING PROGRAM FOR THE METHOD

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

ATTN: Mail Stop Amendment

Director for the U.S. PTO

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2004, the time period for response having been extended until August 26, 2004 by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time. In the prosecution of the application identified above, please consider the following: